

WATER WORKS BONDS SALE.

No Further Question as to Flagstaff's Water System.

Telegrams received from Mr. A. T. Cornish, who is now in St. Louis negotiating for the sale of the bonds issued by the town for the purpose of putting in a system of water works, indicate that the deal is practically closed on terms that will be acceptable to the Council. So far as can be learned, no difficulty whatever has been experienced in making the sale. Indeed, there is no reason whatever why there should be. The bonds are strictly gilt edge, and no safer or more conservative investment is offered on any market. It is a pronounced tribute to the credit and standing of the town that they have found so ready a sale, but nothing more than was to be expected. Flagstaff has earned the reputation of meeting her obligations firmly, promptly and honorably, and this has stood her in good stead in the present instance.

Bully! Now let the Council secure the best possible bid for the construction, and we'll celebrate the Fourth as we never did before.

The Sale of the A. & P. Road.

At Gallup, N. M., on last Tuesday occurred the sale of the Atlantic & Pacific railroad, under the foreclosure of mortgage. This road has been in the hands of a receiver for nearly two years, but now it passes into the hands of the Santa Fe system. They paid \$12,000,000 for the road and now have a through line from Chicago to the Pacific coast. It is understood in railroad circles that several changes will be made. It is believed that M. G. Nevin who succeeded H. K. Wade as manager of the Southern California road, will have the A. & P. system added to his management, and his jurisdiction will extend from Albuquerque to San Diego, including all of the Southern California system. Arthur G. Wells, now general superintendent of the A. & P., will have the Southern California system added to his superintendency.

W. E. Walsh will be general auditor, and J. J. Byrne will be general freight and passenger agent, and the general offices will be located at Los Angeles.

Williams and Peach Springs will be abandoned as division points, and a new division terminus will be established at Seligman.

Court Perry, at present a division superintendent of the A. & P., will have his division extended to embrace the road between Albuquerque and Seligman and John Denair will be division superintendent from Seligman to Mohave, and W. B. Beamer will have charge of the Southern California as division superintendent.

Snake in His Cycle.

John Hesse and Edward Gramlich of Carlstadt, N. J., were held up by a black snake Sunday night, while riding on their wheels from Union Hill to Carlstadt, says the New York Journal. The snake became entangled in the spokes of Hesse's wheel, and Hesse insists that it punctured his tire with its fangs.

The young men left Union Hill about dark to ride to their homes, and, when crossing what is known as the cedar swamp, Hesse felt the front wheel of his machine suddenly give out, and, jumping to the ground, found the tire had been punctured. On further investigation he was nearly frightened out of his wits by the sight of a large black snake firmly wound up in the spokes of his wheel. The snake kept its forked tongue darting in and out at him.

Hesse called for Gramlich, who was in the lead, to halt and come to his assistance. The snake was wound up in the wheel so tightly that they did not know how to kill it without injuring the wheel. Finally Gramlich plucked up courage enough to cut its head off with a large jackknife he had in his pocket. They were then obliged to carve the snake up into small pieces to get it out of the wheel, and while doing this they met with another surprise in the shape of a frog, which they found in the stomach of the snake.

Gone West.

The Buckman Farce Comedy company closed their four nights' stand in this city, by giving a matinee in the afternoon and a regular vaudeville

show in the evening of last Saturday. "Coquette" was the play presented at the matinee and the little people, who were present with their parents, hugely enjoyed the play and the views presented by the Magniscope. In the specialties rendered at the evening's entertainment, each of the players showed up well, and again proved themselves first-class. The company left for the west this morning, and we bespeak for them crowded houses wherever they stop.—Albuquerque Citizen.

A Sample of Thanks.

An editor comes in contact with many amusing articles for publication. Notice the following: "Mr. Editor, I desire to thank the friends and neighbors most heartily in this manner for the united aid and co-operation during the illness and death of my late husband who escaped from me by the hand of death on Friday last while eating breakfast. To the friends and all who contributed so willingly toward making the last moments and funeral of my husband a success, I desire to thank most kindly, hoping these few lines will find them enjoying the same blessing. I also have a good milch cow and a roan gelding horse which I will sell cheap. God moves in mysterious ways his wonders to perform. He plants his footsteps on the sea and rides upon the storm. Also a black and white shoat very low."—Ex.

A Flendish Crime.

An inquest was held Monday in San Francisco in the case of Mrs. Mary Loring, who died under circumstances that led to the arrest of her husband, Robert Loring. The woman made an anti-mortem statement that her fatal injuries were caused by a beating inflicted by her husband, who desired to kill her unborn child. The jury to-day returned a verdict in accordance with these facts.

Teachers Examination.

The second Teacher's Quarterly Examination will be held at the court house, Flagstaff, on Monday and Tuesday, June 7th and 8th, 1897.

N. G. LAYTON, Co. Supt.

On July 15, 1895, there were 133,329 peddlers in the German Empire, including 38,485 women.

The Queen of the Los Angeles Fiesta traversed a distance while in parades of more than 1300 miles.

M. P. Hayes, water service and claim agent of the A. & P. railroad company was in town Wednesday.

Among those who are in from the mining districts this week we notice J. C. McClure, Wm. Russel, John Marshal, L. D. Sanders and P. D. Berry and W. H. Ashurst.

Dr. T. J. J. See, one of the professors of astronomy, and who spent last summer here making observations came in Saturday and will resume his position in the observatory work as soon as the telescope arrives and is put in operation.

The board of school directors of this district met yesterday in the afternoon for the purpose of selecting teachers for the ensuing year. Mrs. B. C. Olney, Miss Dutton, Miss Finnie and Miss Hennessy were employed. The principal was not chosen.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbell of Harvard, Ill., who have been spending the winter in Phoenix, came in on No. 2 this morning, and stopped over in the city for two or three days. They are old acquaintances of Mr. and Mrs. Dutton, and are their guests.

John A. Maurer has purchased the jewelry stock of A. B. Crawford and will make this his home. He is an experienced and practical jeweler, and will continue business at the old stand. Mrs. Maurer and children will arrive from San Jose, Cal., in a few days, when Mr. and Mrs. Maurer will go to housekeeping.

If seismic, atmospheric and political disturbances keep up the present rate of activity for very long it won't be a cycle of years before Europe will not recognize its own map, and we'll be in danger of a reversed earthly topography that would make a geologist have spasms in his efforts to make result and conclusion properly jibe.

Major Bateman, the International Supreme Lodge Lecturer, gave three very interesting lectures at the M. E.

church this week on temperance. The doctor is an eloquent, logical and convincing talker, and made a fine impression on his auditors. He goes east from here to lecture at other points along the line of the A. & P.

Yesterday morning's Albuquerque Democrat has the following item concerning our townsmen: A group of four prominent Flagstaffians, Messrs. T. A. Riordan, F. W. Sisson, Charles Canall and Richard Allen, were noticed together yesterday on the Sturges corner. They seemed to be discussing the possibility of the Skylight city rivaling this hamlet when the Grand Canyon copper mines open.

W. C. Barnes of Holbrook, and Miss Edith Talbot of Phoenix, were united in marriage in Phoenix last Tuesday night. The groom is a prominent cattle man of Navajo county, and served as a member of the Seventeenth Legislature of Arizona, and is a prominent candidate for U. S. Marshal of Arizona. The bride is one of Phoenix's most charming young ladies.

Prescott is figuring on another railroad. It is stated that Frank Murphy, President of the Santa Fe, Prescott & Phoenix road, has formally announced that a new railroad will be constructed from Prescott to Big Bug mining district this summer. The Prescott Chamber of Commerce is taking action in the matter, and doing all in its power to forward the proposition.

Two distinguished cyclists, John D. Maxfield and Dan V. Hearn arrived in town last evening, and will make a run to the Grand Canyon while here. They are representing the official organ of the Cycle Dealers' Association of Southern California, "Wheeling." They make the run from Los Angeles to New York City, and are writing descriptive articles for their journal of the country traversed by them. They are genial pleasant young men and up in their profession.

A special train composed of three private cars containing railroad officials passed through here yesterday morning. On board these private cars were the distinguished purchasing committee of the A. & P. road on Tuesday. Among them were Victor Morawetz attorney for the bondholders, Col. C. N. Sterry, general attorney, A. G. Wells, superintendent of the A. & P. railroad company, and Aldace F. Walker, formerly receiver of this company. They were en route for Phoenix and returned to Prescott to-day.

W. F. Goodhue, of Milwaukee, Wis., was in our city last Friday and Saturday. Mr. Goodhue is consulting engineer for the company putting in the system of waterworks for the mines and village of White Hills, and is here to examine the probable water supply and study the different plans proposed for installing Flagstaff's water system. He seems to be thoroughly posted in everything appertaining to water supplies, and thinks Flagstaff ought to secure an abundant source and a most economic system of water at reasonable expense.

The establishment of a water works system in Flagstaff means the location of a plant to preserve railroad ties. A flowering mill would be another appendage and then our ranchers would at once engage in raising wheat, and many dollars sent abroad for flour would be left at home. A good wool scouring establishment most likely would be located here, and a smelter would do a thriving business. A great many other enterprises might follow if the town is supplied with an abundance of water. No need of the city is greater than this one, and no doubt in less than three months Flagstaff can lay claim to as fine a system of water works as can be found in Arizona. All hail to the day when this will be done.

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